THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Road from Satwari to RS Pura in J&K

1945. SHRI T.S. BAJWA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the upgradation and widening of road from Satwari to RS Pura (J&K) is in progress under CRF;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the present status of the said road and the amount of funds that has been released; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the work of the said road is not being done satisfactory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Double laning of Satwari-RS Pura road was sanctioned for an amount of Rs.1146 lakhs under Central Road Fund on 3rd August, 2005. The work is in progress. As reported by State PWD, the physical progress is 60% and an expenditure of Rs. 910 lakhs has been incurred as on 17th July, 2007. Funds are released by this Ministry for CRF works in entire State.

(d) No such report has been received from the State PWD in this regard.

Four-laning of NHs in Uttarakhand

1946. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of kilometers of roads which have been constructed by NHAI in Uttarakhand since the present Government came to power;

(b) by when Government propose to complete the four-laning of Delhi-Dehradun and Delhi-Nainital highways;

(c) the reasons for the extremely slow progress in the completion of these highways; and

(d) the steps Government propose to speed up the work and the reasons for non-completion of road from Kotdwar to Pauri, Uttarakhand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) So far, no National Highway has been constructed by the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) in the State of Uttarakhand. Current status of four laning in various stretches of Delhi-Dehradun sections of National Highway 58 and 72 and Delhi-Nainital sections of NH-24 and 87 are given in the Statement (*See* below).